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The examiner's attention is also directed to the following two citations of which the Assignee is aware, but has been unable to obtain:

- (i) G. Rossiter, "Continuous processing using solid adsorbents," presented at *Trends in Downstream Processing for Biotechnology*, organized by the Technologische Instituut in collaboration with the Dutch Biotechnology Association (NBV) (1997).
- (ii) M. Bisschops, "Industrial Scale Applications of SMB Processes," presented at the *Advanced Course in Downstream Processing*, Delft University of Technology (2001).

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